

Region 3 GPRA Baseline RCRA Corrective Action Facility

Alcoa Extrusions Inc. (Formerly:Alumax Extrusions)

**53 Pottsville Street
Cressona, PA 17929
Congressional District 6
EPA ID #: PAD096262522
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Current Progress at the Site

EPA and the US Army Corps of Engineers evaluated this facility, beginning with a site inspection on April 10, 2002. Every solid waste management unit and potential source of contamination was evaluated. After a review of the data collected, EPA has determined that Alcoa Extrusions, Inc meets both environmental indicators. Both Human Health Exposure and Groundwater Migration are under control. As staff resources allow, EPA will prepare a no further action determination for this facility.

Site Description

Alcoa Extrusions is located at 53 Pottsville Avenue in Cressona, PA. The facility comprises approximately 100 acres, including a 1.5 million square foot manufacturing facility. Nearly 900 people work on site.

In 1993, EPA resolved concerns over soil contamination with PCBs at the site with the signing of two agreements with Alcoa. Basically, these two agreements required Alcoa to investigate and remediate several areas of the plant that had been contaminated with PCBs as a result of routine handling of hydraulic oils that found their way into the waste water treatment system.

EPA has concluded that these issues have been largely resolved, and that plant conditions and current activities represent no threat to human health or local groundwater.

Site Responsibility

RCRA Corrective Action activities at this facility are being conducted under the direction of EPA Region 3 and are limited to an evaluation of the environmental indicators. Alcoa Extrusions has conducted a cleanup for PCB contamination under an order with the EPA Toxic Substances program.

Contaminants

The contaminants of concern at this site were PCB containing hydraulic fluids that were accidentally released to soil beneath the plant and to the waste water treatment system.

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